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MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.

THURSDAY, *October* 16, 1755.

As there is ſomething new and particular in the following Account of the late Action at Lake George, *wrote by a Perſon in it, we imagine it will not be diſagreeable to our Readers.* Sept. 11, 1755.

I NOW ſend you an Account of as hot and furious a Fight, for the long Continuance of it, as perhaps ever happened: Indeed no leſs than the Fate of *North-America* depended on that bloody Day; and we fought for no leſs than Life itſelf; for no Quarter was given: We have loſt ſeveral brave Officers and Numbers of Men killed and wounded, but what is almoſt beyond Belief, is, that our wounded are ſo by poiſon'd Ball, and every Wound received by them is mortal: I ſaw one of the Balls given to Major General *Lyman* by a Soldier; he carried it to the *French* General, who proteſted his Innocence as to the Knowledge of it.

We had Advice on Sunday of the Enemy's paſſing our Camp, and of their having left their Battoes with a ſtrong Guard ſome Miles above us on the Lake: Orders were given for a Number of Battoes to be mann'd to attack them: I begg'd the General's Leave to accompany that Body, but was refuſed; he telling me he did not know how ſoon he might be attack'd, and I might be of more Service where I was: I little imagined it would be ſo ſoon. Happy indeed, was it for us, the Meaſures intended to be taken were altered. One *Adams* was ſent Expreſs to *Fort Lyman*, but was unfortunately ſhot within two Miles of the Fort, ſo that they knew nothing of the Danger they were in; for Col. *Cockeroft*, with the *New-York* and *New-Hampſhire* Forces were encamp'd outſide of the Fort, being between 4 and 500 Men, and no Cannon with them: The Enemy intended to attack them that Night, and the *French* General curſes the *Indians*, who, he ſays, prevented him: A particular Mercy of God! For had he attack'd them, they would certainly have been overpower'd; and the Conſequence our Ruin. On Monday about 8 o'Clock marched out of our Camp, that worthy never-to-be-forgotten Man, Col. *Williams*, at the Head of 1000 Men, with the famous *old Hendrick* at the Head of the *Mohawks*: Between three and four Miles from our Camp, they fell in with the Enemy: The *French* Army, as I am told, being 1600 ſtrong, amongſt them 250 Grenadiers of *France* and 600 *Indians*: The Enemy had the Advantage on the firſt Charge, driving our Men to our Camp; when a moſt deſperate Engagement enſued, which laſted above Five Hours, with a hot and furious Fire: Victory hung long in Suſpence; but through God's Mercy, we repulſed them with a terrible Slaughter; their General, a *German* Baron, taken Priſoner, dangerouſly wounded; their Major-General killed on the firſt Attack, (he was the ſame who defeated *Braddock*) and their Aid-de-Camp taken Priſoner. For me to do Juſtice to Major General *Johnſon*, is not in my Power; let your Imagination paint to you every Thing that is truly great and noble; it is in him: He was wounded but not mortally: No General that ever headed an Army could behave with more Intrepidity and Calmneſs. Coming from the Front, I overtook a pretty Youth in a white Waiſtcoat, with his Gun, who told me, he was wounded, and happening to meet him on the Artillery Ground, I aſk'd him, how he did? He anſwer'd me, he was in a good deal of Pain, and as the Firing was then very hot, ſaid, *I am afraid our Men fire too wild.* The Enemy were then declining to the Right, and made their laſt Efforts there, (where fell Col. *Titcomb*) pouring into a low Ground or Swamp oppoſite to us, about 150 Yards from us; when the heroic Man, with all the Calmneſs in the World, ſaid, it would do good Service to heave ſome Shells there, and drive them out: Whereupon I told Capt. *Boyle*, who fought the Mortars, and he directly ran to the General, who gave him Orders to do it. He immediately got the Hoit in Readineſs, and threw five Shells which did noble Service indeed, driving the Enemy with Terror out of the Swamp; they ſet up a horrid Yell, which we always anſwered with a Huzza: The Hoit burſt in firing the laſt Shell; but had they not been thrown, the Enemy would certainly have forced the Camp, as we had not on that Quarter 50 Men to oppoſe them, the reſt being hotly engaged. To do Juſtice to Merit, Lieutenant *Liſcomb* and Lieutenant *Cooke* of the Train, behaved with uncommon Bravery: Mr. *Wraxall* was every where: The two *Butlers*, Brothers, a Captain and a Lieutenant of the *Indians*, no Words can expreſs their Courage. The Enemy have loſt near a Thouſand Men; the Road for three Miles being ſtrew'd with dead Bodies. We are continually under Arms, having conſtant Alarms Night and Day.

There were killed on the Spot, Col. *Williams*, Col. *Titcomb*, and Major *Aſhley*; the Captains *Farrel*, *Maginnis*, *Maginny*, *Stoddard*, *Barnum*, *Makinnis* and *Ingerſon*; all the above were ſcalp'd and horribly mangled: Private Men killed outright of Col. *Williams*'s Regiment, 50; of Col. *Titcomb*'s 35; of Col. *Ruggles*'s 37; of the *Connecticut* 39; of *Rhode-Iſland* 21; in all 182.---- The wounded not yet known; but all mortal that are wounded with poiſon'd Ball.

PARIS, June 27.

THE Sardinian Ambaſſador having gone on Tueſday to Verſailles, the King ſent him Word, that he had nothing to ſay to him, but to tell him to leave Paris in Twenty-four Hours. His Excellency, at his Return to his Houſe in this City, found an Expreſs who brought him the ſame Orders from the King his Maſter; whereupon he ordered the Horſes to be put in his Chaiſe, and ſet out immediately. Our Ambaſſador at Turin hath received the like Orders, and is already on the Road to return to France.

Amſterdam, July 1. The Viſit paid us laſt Week by his Pruſſian Majeſty, has been the Occaſion of various Speculations; the real Motive of this Viſit we are ignorant of, but we cannot help thinking here, that his Pruſſian Majeſty may draw ſome Concluſions, from his taking a comparative View between his Port of Embden and Province of Eaſt-Frieſland, and that of Amſterdam and the Provinces of Holland and Utrecht, which may either fire his Ambition, or adminiſter to his political Humility.

Hague, July 23. The Letters received by the laſt Poſt from Hanover, confirm the News of the Prince of Wales's Marriage with the Duke of Wolfenbuttel's eldeſt Daughter being agreed on.

Bourdeaux, July 17. From ſeveral Liſts, Inventories, Surveys, &c. lately taken, regarding the preſent State of our Intereſt in the American Iſlands, as well as that of the Spaniards, particularly on the Iſlands of Cuba, Hiſpaniola, and alſo on Terra Firma, Occaſion has been taken to affirm an Expedition, long meditated, and preparing for occaſional Execution to be actually on the Point of taking Place, in Conſequence of the determined Motions of the Engliſh Colonies on the Side of Canada. This Expedition is ſaid to be laid againſt the principal Iſlands in the Poſſeſſion of the Engliſh, South of 20 Degrees Lat. in America, particularly that of Jamaica; the Reduction of which, on Account of the preſent State of that Iſland, and the neceſſary Employment of a great Part of the Engliſh Ships in the North, is eſteemed no very difficult Talk; and in doing which, tho' without a War, we need no greater Juſtification than Succeſs in the Attempt.

Paris, July 28. Orders are ſent to all the Officers of the Horſe and Foot, to compleat their Regiments.

Hanover, July 23. M. de Buſſy, the French Miniſter, arrived here on Thurſday, and had next Day an Audience of the King, who, out of Regard to his perſonal Merit, received him very graciouſly.

Hanover, July 26. M. Buſſy, having received an Expreſs from Paris, with Orders to leave this Place without taking Leave of the Court, is ſet out accordingly.

Paris, July 26. We learn by Letters from London, that on the 8th of laſt Month Admiral Boſcawen attacked, with his Squadron, on the Banks of Newfoundland, the Ship the Alcide, which he found ſeparated from the French Squadron bound to Canada; and took her after a long Reſiſtance. Theſe Letters add, that this Admiral attacked the ſame Day a Veſſel with Troops on board, which had alſo parted from the King's Squadron, and was under the Eſcort of the Alcide. As ſoon as the King was informed of this Event, his Majeſty ſent Orders to the Duke de Mirepoix, his Embaſſador at London, and to Sieur de Buſſy, his Miniſter at Hanover, to ſet out immediately, without taking Leave, and to return to Paris.---- *Such is the Account publiſh'd at Paris by Authority.*

*** The following Paragraph will ſhew what Methods are already taken in France to ſupport the Spirits of the People.

Paris, July 25. The Reports which were ſpread of a ſpeedy Rupture between France and England, begin to drop, ſince we are told that the King had received at Compeigne, an Expreſs from London, with a Letter from Sir Thomas Robinſon, importing, that the Lords Regents diſapprove of the Conduct of Admiral Boſcawen, who commanded the Squadron that attacked ours. This News hath made all our Merchants, and the Engliſh who are in this Capital, quite eaſy.----*If the French King had received ſuch a Letter, what Reaſon could he have for ordering his Miniſters to return without taking Leave?*

LONDON, *July* 17.

Extract of a Letter from Paris, June 27.

" There is News in Town, that an Action has happened on the Ohio, which is alſo ſaid to be attended with the following Particulars: That by Orders of the Chevalier de St. Pierre, who had received Advice of the Approach of the Engliſh Forces from the Side of Virginia, a Party of 1000 Men were ordered to throw up Intrenchments, and poſt themſelves between our Fort, and the Forks of Monongahela, and a Place called by the Engliſh, Redſtone-Creek, and by the French, La Petitere Riviera, about 2 Leagues diſtant from the Forks, in order to intercept the Enemy, ſhould they come to attack the Fort, as was adviſed to be their Deſign. About three Days after theſe Troops were effectually intrenched, and informed of the Approach of the Engliſh, to the Number, as was computed, of 3000, who, having halted near two Days, about half a League Diſtance, advanced on the third, and precipitately attack'd our Trenches, after having given us a few idle Shot, at 500 Yards Diſtance. Our Troops, however, were ſo well covered, and defended themſelves with ſo much Gallantry and Succeſs, as to repulſe them three Times ſucceſſively, with prodigious Loſs: After which the Enemy retired towards Wills's Creek: And ſoon after, on our Troops receiving Information of the Arrival of a Reinforcement to the Engliſh of 5000 Men, they alſo retired towards the Fort, where they again are intrenched, waiting the Approach of the Enemy, as well as 2000 of our Men from Venango, which were coming down the River, and were hourly expected to arrive at the Fort, when the Account was forwarded to Europe." If the Report of an Action be true, there appears to be great Partiality in this Account.

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July 19. The Dunkirk's Guns, in a late Skirmish off Newfoundland, were all double ſhotted every Round, and being Yard-Arm and Yard-Arm, did ſuch terrible Execution, that the Officers of the Alcide could not keep their Men to their Quarters, and ran one of them through, in order to deter the others; but all would not do, the Frenchmen not liking ſuch warm Work; and Monſieur le Commodore himſelf, when he was brought Priſoner on board the Dunkirk, told the brave Capt. Howe, *That it was cruel to engage ſo very cloſe.*

Notwithſtanding two French Mails have arrived ſince they heard of our Capture off Cape Race, we don't find a Syllable of that thundering Manifeſto we were before threatned with. 'Tis apprehended they wait for Inſtructions from the Court of Madrid; which they ſeem to be cautious of giving till they can diſcover the Sentiments of the Pruſſian Court, which we are greatly induced to flatter the Public will be not only in our Favour, but of laſting Service to theſe Kingdoms.

From ſome Preparations making, it is believed that the Siege of, or Deſcent on, ſome particular Place, is very ſhortly intended.

It is reported, that there is ſo much Secrecy in the Expeditions intended, that a noble Lord, who is at the Head of the Admiralty, writes all Orders himſelf.

We are aſſured that our perfidious Neighbours, at the very Time they were making us the greateſt Profeſſions of Friendſhip by their Embaſſy, were carrying on a Scheme for taking Halifax; and if they had ſucceeded therein, all Nova-Scotia would probably have ſoon been in their Hands. They had on Board their Fleet, for this Purpoſe, 4000 Troops, and a large Quantity of Ammunition, &c. But their Deſign is entirely fruſtrated, and rendered ineffectual, by the vigorous and glorious Meaſures taken by our Government, for which they ſtand juſtly admired and honoured by the whole Nation

As if it were not enough for this Country (ſay Yeſterday's Letters from France) to be at War with the Clergy, who do not ſeem to be much diſpoſed to Peace, nothing is talked of in all Places but a War that we are on the Point of declaring againſt our Neighbours; for which Preparations are making with the utmoſt Diligence. Our Maritime Forces are daily augmenting: The War-Office have ſent ſeveral Expreſſes to Britanny, the County of Aunis, and Guienne, with Orders to the Forces quartered in thoſe Provinces to advance: And a Surveyor-General is gone in all Haſte to Breſt, to give Directions for fortifying with hewn Stone all the Places that are moſt expoſed from the Iſle of Uſhant to Breſt, Advice having been received that ſome Engliſh Ships are cruizing at the Mouth of the Channel, which is only ſeven Leagues diſtant. Signals likewiſe are agreed on, to be made from Fort to Fort, to give inſtant Notice of the Motions of theſe Veſſels.

July 31. We hear that M. de Coſne, who has been entruſted with our Affairs at the Court of France ſince the Death of Lord Albemarle, arrived in Town Yeſterday from Paris.

Twelve Men of War of the Line are expected daily to be put into Commiſſion.

Extract of a Letter from an Engliſh Gentleman at Calais, dated July 25.

Laſt Wedneſday the French Ambaſſador, the Duke de Mirepoix, arrived here from England, and ſet out Poſt directly for Paris. Nothing is talk'd of but War, and they boaſt of having 250,000 Men ready to take the Field; and the moſt Sanguine expect a ſpeedy Declaration of War. On the other Hand, the Negociants, whoſe Effects conſiſt of Sugar, Indigo, and divers valuable Merchandizes, which they expect ſoon from St. Domingo and Martinico, are under dreadful Apprehenſions of their falling into our Hands.

The Soldiers that mutiny'd at Gibraltar were determined to fight their Way through the Guard, and go over to the Spaniards.

Auguſt 2. It was Yeſterday currently reported, that War would be declared as this Day at Paris; but this, we think, ſeems too haſty; others ſay not till the Aſſumption of the Bleſſed Virgin.

We are aſſured the Dutch have ſigned a Neutrality with the French.

Thurſday the Lords of the Treaſury iſſued Three Hundred and Fifty Thouſand Pounds for the Service of the Navy.

Auguſt 3. They write from Dublin, that on Friday laſt 120 Carrs ſet out from the Caſtle-Yard, loaded with Tents, Kettles, and other Materials, together with one Piece of Ordnance, attended by a Captain's Guard, and were joined on the Road by 40 Waggons loaded with Powder, for the uſe of the Camp now forming near Thurles, which is to continue 42 Days, where we hear the following Troops are to be encamped about the 10th Inſtant, viz.

Horſe. Major-General Brown's, one Troop; Lieutenant-General Bligh's, one Troop; Lord George Sackville's, one Troop.

Dragoons. Lord Moleſworth's, one Troop; Col. Waldegrave's, one Troop; Lieutenant General Read's Regiment; Sir John Whiteford's Regiment; Col. Moſtyn's, one Troop; Col. Dejean's, one Troop.

Foot. One Battalion of the Royal; Lieutenant-General Fowke's; Col. Pole's; Major General Offarell's; Col. Boſcawen's; Lieutenant General Blakeney's; Col. Kennedy's; and Major General Murray's.

Auguſt 5. We hear the People at Dover, who had ſuch great Succeſs laſt War with their Privateers, are determined not to be idle Spectators now, and are going to fit out ſome prime Sailors, ready to proceed on that Service when they are permitted; and from other Places we have the ſame Accounts.

We learn from a Gentleman, who arrived Yeſterday from Paris, that the French King is ſo *incenſed* at the Behaviour of our ADMIRAL in *America*, that he no longer admits any Britiſh Subjects to the Honour of Hunting with him, nor to any public Entertainment where his Majeſty is preſent: However, they don't talk there of ſpeedily declaring War againſt England, but ſeem rather *afraid* of our declaring War *firſt*.

By a Gentleman from Paris we are informed, that the People there are in the greateſt Conſternation; that their Actions are fallen above 100 more; that they call us *perfidious Pyrates*, and *vow Revenge*; and that Troops are filing off towards the Coaſts.

According to an authentic Liſt of the French Navy, as it ſtood before the Taking of the Alcide and Lys, they had ſix Ships of 80 Guns, ſixteen of 74, ſeven of 70, twenty-five of 64, and nine of 50, with twenty-nine Frigates from 44 to 20 Guns.

We are informed that an eminent Merchant in this City hath given a certain Nobleman of diſtinguiſhed Worth the Sum of 1000 l. to be laid the Sum of 100 l. for every French Ship of 50 Guns and upwards, which ſhall be taken or deſtroyed by the Engliſh within the Space of eighteen Months.

Auguſt 7. Yeſterday Morning an Expreſs arrived from America: After which there was a Council at the Cockpit, which laſted near five Hours.

Orders have been ſent to the ſeveral Yards to expedite the ſmall Ships of War with all Diligence.

Yeſterday there was a ſmart Preſs on the River for Seamen.

Yeſterday a Survey was made of all the Merchant Ships in the River, which were fit to be employed in the Service of the Government as Frigates of War; and this Day a Report was to be made of them to the Commiſſioners of the Navy. It is ſaid they are to carry 100 Men, and be commanded by the Lieutenants of the Royal Navy.

It is rumoured that the King of Pruſſia, attended by a Nobleman of Diſtinction, was lately at Portſmouth to ſee the Fleet, tho' at the ſame Time it is pretended he was incog.——*From whence can this Knowledge ariſe?*

They write from the Hague, that the Letters which a Courier from Hanover had left there, in his Rout to London, leave no Room to doubt of the King's ſpeedy Return to England.

'Tis ſaid a *Meſſage* has been ſent from hence to the *French Court*, by proper *Authority*, importing, that if they preſume to invade the *Netherlands*, or *any* other Poſſeſſions of our Allies, with a View to make themſelves Amends for *Miſcarriages* and *ill Succeſs* at Sea, they may depend upon it that ENGLAND will liſten to *no Terms* of *Accommodation*, nor ever reſt while *France* has a *Ship of War* left.----*This is talking in the true old* ENGLISH *Stile; and may this* NOBLE SPIRIT *prevail till the French Monarchy be reduced to* Boundaries, *conſiſtent with the Safety of its Neighbours!*

Auguſt 9. The Merchants of the City of London have ſubſcribed already the Sum of 300,000 l. in Caſe War ſhould be declared, to fit out a Fleet of Privateers on a private Expedition, to retaliate the Wrongs our People in America have received from the perfidious French.

Yeſterday the French Merchants on 'Change offered Premiums from 25 to 30 per Cent. Inſurance on their Ships, and many Policies were under-wrote for 30 l.

Yeſterday the Commiſſioners of the Navy contracted with ſeveral Merchants for Twenty Ships, of about 400 Tons each, for the immediate Service of the Government.

Our Succeſs in aſſerting our Rights is, at preſent, the great Topic of Diſcourſe throughout Europe. All acknowledge that we act with great Vigour, Firmneſs and Secrecy, and ſeem to expect, with Impatience, the iſſue of a Proceeding that is of no ſmall Conſequence to them as well as to us, ſince the Independency of the Reſt of the Powers of Europe will always be promoted by the Independency of Great-Britain.

This Succeſs in the Beginning (which may Divine Providence continue to the End) ariſes apparently from our attending to our own Buſineſs, from our comprehending in Time the Intereſt this Nation has in its Colonies, and interpoſing on their Behalf, when we did comprehend it, with that Activity and Spirit, which ſuch a Meaſure required, as ſoon as it was clear that Negotiations were without End.

Dublin, June 14. Monday arrived the Coningſberg, from London, under Convoy of a Man of War, with 7000 Stand of Arms, 300 Barrels of Powder, a large Quantity of other Military Stores, and a Command of the Royal Regiment of Artillery at Woolwich, conſiſting of an Officer, twenty one Men, a Serjeant and a Drum: And Yeſterday they were lodged in his Majeſty's Stores at the Caſtle.

NEW-HAVEN, *September* 20.

This Day Se'nnight came in here an Expreſs from the Camp, at Crown-Point, informing, that the whole Army was ſurrounded by French and Indians, and wanted Help; whereupon the whole Town was alarmed, and beat up for Independents, and in leſs than ſix Hours above 80 healthy-able-bodied Men offered their Service: And on Sabbath-Day Morning ſet out from hence for Major-General Johnſon's Army (after ſupplying themſelves with 20 Days Proviſion) on Horſe-back, under the Command of Doctor Leverit Hubbart. And,

On the 12th of this Inſtant, marched from this Town, for Crown-Point, Capt. James Peck, with a Company of 100 healthy-able-bodied Men.

BOSTON, *September* 29.

By a Veſſel from North-Carolina, we have Advice from good Hands, that the Cherokee Tribe of Indians, encouraged by a Bounty of Three Pounds Sterling, and Seven Pounds for every Scalp of the Enemy, granted by the Province of South-Carolina, had, to the Number of 1600, engaged to march againſt the French, and the Indians in their Intereſt on the Ohio; and that as a further Encouragement towards the Expedition, the Government of North-Carolina, had made a Preſent to them of 300 Steers.

By the laſt Veſſels from Halifax, we have Advice, that 200 of our Men having been put on board one or more Veſſels with Orders to deſtroy ſome French Villages, about 70 of them landed, and burnt all the private Houſes and Barns without Moleſtation; but juſt as they were ſetting Fire to the Maſs-Houſe, they were fired upon by a large Body of French and Indians concealed in the Buſhes, who killed and wounded 23 of our People. Among the former is Lieutenant (or Dr.) March, and Lieutenant Billings is badly wounded. 'Tis ſaid our People have about 1200 of the Neutrals on board their Tranſports; and about 1000 or 1200 Men, French and Indians, among which are 300 Regulars, are encamped on a riſing Ground, with a Flag of Defiance flying.

Wedneſday laſt an Officer arrived here from General Johnſon's Army near Lake George, with Letters from the General for this Government. He left the Camp the 17th Inſtant, and ſays there has been no Engagement with the Enemy ſince that of the 8th.---That Col. Blanchard was gone with a ſtrong Detachment from the Army, to begin the building of a Fort at the Carrying-Place.----That Parties from the Camp were daily ſent out to diſcover the Enemy's ſlain, and to pick up Arms, &c. and that they had found a great Number of dead Bodies in Swamps and Holes, which they had carried off on Biers, 40 of which were found all bloody at the Side of a Pond.---- That the Body of Hendrick, the old Mohawk Sachem, has been found among our Slain, and was buried with all the Honours of War.----The Baron Dieſkau, the French General, was ſent to Albany, with all the other Priſoners, and it was much doubted whether the Baron could be cured of his Wounds or no.----That the Battoes, and other Things neceſſary for accommodating the Army in its further Progreſs, were getting ready with the utmoſt Diſpatch.

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By last Saturday's Poſt came Letters from his Excellency General Shirley, dated Oſwego the 9th Inſtant, informing, that his Excellency was in good Health, and propoſed to embark on his intended Expedition in a very few Days.

Jamaica, Queen's-County, Long-Iſland, September 24th, 1755.

This Day One Thouſand and Fifteen Sheep, raiſed in about three Days in this County, were delivered at New-York Ferry, in order to be ſent to Albany by Water, which were chearfully given for the Uſe of the Army now near or at Crown-Point; 200 of which were ſhipped this Day, and the Whole will be on board Albany Veſſels in a Day or two.

Since our People had been conſiderably generous to an Army, protecting the Lives and Eſtates of our frontier Inhabitants in and about Albany, they vainly imagined, that the Gentlemen Skippers from that City, would have gratefully tranſported the Sheep to Albany without demanding Freight; but found themſelves ſurprizingly miſtaken: Thoſe unparalleled Frugaliſts, ever vigilant of private Intereſt, refuſed carrying any of them under 1 *s.* 6 *d.* a Head, which Sum was accordingly agreed for; tho' proper Judges were of Opinion that 9 *d.* would be high Freight.

While the Huſbands at Great-Neck in this County, were employed in getting the Sheep, the good Matrons in that Neighbourhood, in a few Hours, collected near 70 good large Cheeſes, and ſent them to New-York, to be forwarded with the Sheep to the Army.——What the Freight of the Cheeſes will be to Albany, we cannot as yet tell.

NEW-YORK, *October* 6.

Capt. Seymour, in the Ship Fame, arrived here ſince our laſt, in 8 Weeks from Cadiz, and informs, that when he was there, Six French Ships of the Line, one of 80 Guns, and Three Frigates, were at Anchor in that Port:----That upon the Receipt of ſome Diſpatches, giving an Account of our having taken two French Ships in America, they immediately left Cadiz, being the ſecond of Auguſt:----That two Engliſh 20 Gun Ships ſailed ſoon after them, in order to diſcover, it was ſuppoſed, which Way they were bound.----That the principal Merchants in Cadiz, were of Opinion, the Spaniards would not join in the preſent Conteſt between the two Crowns of England and France;----and that it was the common Opinion, that the Powers of Europe would leave us to end our Diſputes by ourſelves; and that the French would not declare War.

Our laſt Accounts from Oſwego, are between the 8th and 12th of September laſt, which ſay, That they talked then of ſetting out very ſoon, but whither, even ſome of the chief Officers knew not. That there had not been above two or three Days for near a Fortnight before the Date of theſe Accounts, in which Battoes could ſwim on the Lake, where the Surge riſes almoſt as high as on the Beach of the Ocean.

Several Veſſels arrived here Yeſterday from New-England, deep loaded with Proviſions for Albany; and others are hourly expected.

Laſt Saturday Evening, a New-England Sloop touch'd here, in her Way from Albany for Connecticut, with ſome ſick People from General Johnſon's Army. They left the Camp about ten Days ſince, when our People, to the Number of between Five and Six Thouſand, were employed, until the Arrival of ſome Waggons with Neceſſaries, in building a Fort at Lake George.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 26.

By a Veſſel from the Weſt-Indies, arrived at Hampton, we are poſitively aſſured, that the Badger Sloop of War is taken by a 36 Gun French Ship, and carried into Guardaloup; and that a 64 Gun French Ship which eſcaped from Admiral Boſcawen, is put into Martinico.

Saturday Se'nnight the Warehouſes at Coan, in Northumberland County, in which were about 80 Hogſheads of Tobacco, were burnt down to the Ground.

October 3. Friday Se'nnight died the Reverend WILLIAM STITH, A. M. and Preſident of William and Mary College, a Gentleman of great Learning and Abilities, univerſally beloved by his Friends and Acquaintance, and whoſe Death is greatly lamented.

From Auguſta we learn, that a Party of the Militia, under the Command of one Captain Dickinſon, met with and attacked a Party of the Northern Indians, of whom one was killed and ſeveral wounded. Two Indian Boys, of the Catawba Nation, whom the Northern Indians had taken Priſoners, were retaken by our People. Captain Dickinſon had one Man killed.

PHILADELPHIA, *October* 9.

Some Letters from London adviſe, that a War was thought unavoidable; and that Inſurance from London to America had riſen to Eight *per Cent.*

We hear from Virginia, that the two Women, ſuppoſed to be taken Priſoners, and carried off by the Indians, (as mentioned in this Paper, N°. 542) have been found near Green Briar River by a ſcouting Party of Engliſh, and brought in again.

ANNAPOLIS, *October* 16.

We hear, that ſeveral ſmall Companies of Volunteers, well equipp'd, went from *Prince George's* County, laſt Week, to the Weſtward, at their own Expence, in order to aſſiſt our Friends in *Frederick*.

From the back Parts of *Frederick* County, we learn, that the People are conſtantly flocking in, in great Numbers, to the more thick-ſettled Parts of the County.

CUSTOM-HOUSE, ANNAPOLIS, *Entered*,
Snow Peggy, William Wallace, from Halifax.
Cleared for Departure,
Sloop Sally, Swetnam Burn, for Montſerrat;
Ship Lux, Joſeph Richardſon, for London;
Ship Anne-Galley, William Hamilton, for London;
Ship Buchanan, James Hall, for London;
Brig Sophia, William Kenney, for Biddeford.

NEXT GAZETTE, will compleat Three Years ſince the Price of it was alter'd, from 12*s.* to 12*s.* 6 *d.* a Year: All thoſe who are indebted for a Year, and eſpecially thoſe who owe for two, three, or more Years, are requeſted to pay, to enable the Printer to continue it's Publication.

On Wedneſday the Twenty-ſecond of October, *will be Sold at Public Vendue, at the Houſe where* Charles Briant *now lives*,

SUNDRY HOUSHOLD FURNITURE, for ready Current Money. C. Br.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *London-Town*, on the 7th of *October*, a Servant Man, named *Peter Bond*; he went off in a ſmall Canoe; he is a Taylor by Trade, of a low Stature, is pitted with the Small-Pox, and has grey Eyes. He had on and with him, a Sailor's blue Jacket, bound round the Edges with black, double breaſted, with ſmall flat Buttons, ſet in Threes, a ſhort green Waiſtcoat, a Pair of blue Stockings, a Pair of light colour'd ribb'd Stockings, a brown Wig, a Felt Hat, a Pair of Pumps and Shoes, and a Pair of old Trowſers; and may have other Apparel.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and brings him home, ſhall have Forty Shillings Reward, and reaſonable Charges, paid by

ALEXANDER FERGUSON.

N. B. As he may poſſibly have entered as a Sailor on board ſome Ship, if ſo, the Maſter may have him for Ten Guineas.

By Directions of a late ACT,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is taken up by *John Trawers* and *John Webſter*, living on *Hooper's Iſland*, a Schooner Boat or Flat, about 23 Feet Keel, 8 Feet 9 Inches Beam, and 3 Feet 4 Inches in the Hold; ſhe has a ſhort Fore-Caſtle railed above, her Bulk-Head above the fore Shaft, has open Stern Sheets, with a moulding on them, and rounded off at the fore Ends; ſhe is ſeal'd tight, only a Place open in the middle; has a very round Beam in the middle of her, faſtened with four Knees; her Outſide pay'd with Turpentine, her Main-maſt and an old ſhatter'd Sail out, and hanging by the Main-Sheet; her Bumpkin is looſe, and an old Jib to it. She was found Bottom upwards in the Bay, below *Barren-Iſland*, with a dead Boy under the Fore-Caſtle, about 8 Years old.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of *Joſeph Burgeſs*, near the Head of *Severn*, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Black Horſe, branded on the near Buttock, very blindly, ſomething reſembling G O, has a Star in his Forehead, and a Saddle Spot on his Back.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

TO BE SOLD,

A WELL-BUILT SCHOONER, juſt launched, Burthen upwards of 50 Ton, with compleat new Rigging. For further Particulars enquire of the Subſcriber, at *Annapolis*.

CHARLES CARROLL.

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For CORK,

The Brig *CHARLES*,

JACOB WALTERS, Maſter

Now lying in *Patapſco*;

WILL ſail by the 10th of *November*, having already a good Part of her Loading on board. For Freight or Paſſage apply to Meſſieurs *Charles* or *John Ridgely*, in *Baltimore-Town*. 2

N. B. She is a good Veſſel, about 3 Years old, and has very good Accommodations for Paſſengers.

TWELVE PISTOLES REWARD.

RAN away on Monday the 29th of *September* laſt, the three following Servant Men, from on board the Ship *Caple*, lying in *Buſh* River, in *Baltimore* County, *viz.*

William Norcliff, an *Engliſhman*, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, about 30 Years of Age, a Ship-Carpenter by Trade, has a Patch of white Hair, about 2 Inches ſquare, in his Head, is battle-hamm'd, and has a ſly roguiſh Look. He had on a blue Pea Jacket, black Wig, ſhort wide Trowſers, a Check Shirt, Shoes and Stockings.

James Nun, an *Engliſhman*, a Joyner by Trade, about 6 Feet high, about 30 Years of Age, is a ſlim Fellow, and is battle-hamm'd. He had on a ſmall Caſtor Hat, white Wig, Check Shirt, a blue Pea Jacket, long Trowſers, and Shoes. 2

Henry Crouch, a Ship-Carver by Trade, belonging to Mr. *Samuel Galloway*; he is about 5 Feet 5 Inches high, is an *Engliſhman*, has an Impediment in his Speech, and is Pock-fretten. Had on a Linen Cap, Felt Hat, Check Shirt, Linen Frock, long Trowſers, and Shoes.

'Tis thought they will make for *Philadelphia*, or *New-York*, in order to get a Paſſage to *London*.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servants, and ſecures them ſo that their Maſters may have them again, ſhall have TWELVE PISTOLES Reward for all of them, or Four Piſtoles for either, paid by JOHN GILES, AMOS GARRETT, & Comp.

TO BE SOLD,

For Sterling Money, good Bills of Exchange, Gold, Silver, or Paper Currency,

THE following Tracts and Parcels of Land, *viz.*

Rover's Content,	466	
Part of *The Incloſure*,	89	
Part of *Goodluck*,	445	
Fiſt, - - -	78	Acres.
Beall's Chance,	290	
Father's Gift,	183	
Bread and Cheeſe Hall,	91	

Theſe are all adjoining, and make a Body of choice well timbered Land, whereon are Three Plantations, with good Orchards, lying in *Prince George's* County, within five Miles of *Bladenſburg*, ten of *Upper-Marlborough*, and ſix of the *Eaſtern Branch* Ferry.

Coupper,	113	
Part of *Laybill*,	649	Acres.
Beall's Reſerve,	380	
Drumeldry,	225	

The Four laſt mentioned lie in *Beall's Neck*, in *Frederick* County, not above twelve Miles from *Bladenſburg*, being a choice Parcel of fine Wood-Land. 2

Alſo 459 Acres of Land, being Part of a Tract called *Allſon's Park*, lying likewiſe in *Frederick* County, on or near a Branch, called and known, by the Name of *Captain John's Branch*.

Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe Part of the firſt mentioned ſeven Tracts, lying in *Prince George's* County, may have the Quantity deſired, provided it be taken ſo as not to incommode the remaining Part, to render it unſerviceable, or prejudice the Sale thereof; and likewiſe, any Part of the ſeveral Tracts, in *Frederick* County, in like Manner.

The Title and Terms may be known, by applying to the Subſcriber, or to *Joſias Beall*, junior, living on *Ackokick*, near *Piſcataway*, in *Prince-George's* County. JOHN BEALL, junior.

N. B. Time will be given for the Payment of Part, on good Security, if required.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC VENDUE,

On Thurſday the 23d of this Inſtant October, *at* 5 *o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Houſe where* Richard Burdus *now lives, for ready Current Money*, 3

GREAT Variety of HOUSHOLD FURNITURE, conſiſting of Beds and Bedding, Chairs and Tables, ſome Plate, &c.

RAN away from the Brig *Charles*, lying in *Patapſco* River, an Apprentice, named *Thomas Holland*, a tall ſlim young Fellow. He had on a light colour'd Coat, ſhort wide Trowſers, and a Check Shirt; but will probably change his Dreſs, as he has very good Cloaths with him. He is ſuppoſed to be on *Kent-Iſland*. Whoever will bring the ſaid Lad to the Subſcriber, ſhall have Forty Shillings Reward, paid by

CHARLES RIDGELY, junior.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, on the 28th of *April* laſt, the two following Servant Men, *viz.*

John Cooper, but will probably change his Name to *Benjamin Birch*, he is a ſmooth-faced Fellow, has ſhort black Hair, has loſt two of his fore Teeth out of his upper Jaw, is of a black Complexion, about 30 Years of Age, and was born in *England*. He had on when he went away, two coarſe white Shirts, a good Fel: Hat, a yellow Cotton Jacket without Sleeves, an old patch'd Jacket with broad Metal Buttons, a Pair of light colour'd Stockings, a Pair of old Bear-ſkin Breeches without Lining, and a Pair of *French* Fall Shoes newly ſoled.

Daniel Mallone, an *Iriſhman*, a full-faced Fellow, has many Pimples in his Face, and is about 30 Years old. Had on when he went away, a yellow Felt Hat, an old Worſted Cap, two Check Shirts, a ſtriped Flannel Jacket, a white Jacket with ſome Spots of Tar on it, a Pair of ſhort wide Trowſers, a Pair of ſhort Breeches, a Pair of Woman's Leather Shoes, with ſharp Toes, and a Pair of coarſe light colour'd Yarn Stockings.

Whoever will bring the ſaid Servants to the Subſcriber, living in *Frederick* County, at the lower End of *Snowden*'s Manor, ſhall have Five Pounds Reward for each, or either of them, beſide what the Law allows, paid by

EDWARD DORING.

SOME Years ago, one *James Walwork* came into this Country, from *England*, and it is ſaid lived at *Bladenſburg*. Now if the ſaid *Walwork* be living, and will apply to the Printer of this Paper, he will hear of ſomething to his Advantage; or if he be dead, and any one will acquaint the Printer therewith, they ſhall be paid for their Trouble.

TAKEN out of the Subſcriber's Paſture, on Saturday Night the 16th of *July* laſt, a large Bay Mare, with a black Mane and Tail, paces naturally, is branded on the Buttock with the Letters I S, but ſo blotched that they can ſcarcely be made out, ſhe has a very flat Foot, and has been uſed to Shoes, but had but one on when taken away.

Whoever will bring the ſaid Mare to the Owner, living near *Pamunkey* Warehouſe, or give ſuch Intelligence of her, that he may get her again, ſhall have THREE POUNDS Reward, paid by

JOHN STODDERT.

RAN away from the *Baltimore* Iron-Works, in *Maryland*, the 10th of *Auguſt* laſt, an *Engliſh* Convict Servant Man, named *John Marling*, alias *Mallen*, 22 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, of a ſwarthy Complexion, has black Eyes, a ſmooth Face, and his Hair is ſhort, he is a down looking Fellow, and is ſlow of Speech, was born in *Norfolk*, bred a Farmer, and underſtands driving a Team. He had on and took with him, when he went away, an old Hat, a light coloured coarſe Kerſey Coat, a bluiſh Cloth Jacket, without Sleeves, a new blue Jacket of a kind of Worſted Stuff, lined with white Shalloon, double-breaſted, with Metal Buttons, two white Shirts, an old Pair of Leather Breeches, a Pair of Oſnabrigs Trowſers, a Pair of blue grey Worſted Stockings, and a Pair of *Engliſh* Shoes, with Buckles in them: He had on an Iron Collar, but may have got it off ſince he went away; and may have got a forged Diſcharge, as this is the ſecond Time he has run away; and it is thought he has made for *Virginia*, as he cannot be heard of this Way.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him in any Goal, ſo that his Maſter may have him again ſhall have THREE POUNDS, Reward, and reaſonable Charges if brought home.

JOHN WELSH.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Baltimore* County, on the 31ſt of *Auguſt* laſt, an Indented Servant Man, named *John Gale*; he is a ſurly ill-looking Fellow, a Carpenter and Mill-Wright by Trade, about 40 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 4 Inches high, is well-ſet, was born in the Weſt of *England*, and ſpeaks pretty thick, is much addicted to Swearing, his Fingers are hurt and crook'd by working with an Axe, and he ſerved Part of his Time with Dr. *Carroll*, in *Annapolis*. He is very meanly dreſſed; but it is probable will furniſh himſelf with better Cloaths, if an Opportunity ſerves.

Whoever will take up the ſaid Servant, and bring him to the Subſcriber, ſhall have Five Pounds Reward; or if ſecured in any Goal, ſo that his Maſter may have him again, Three Pounds Reward, paid by

JOSHUA HALL.

Auguſt 18, 1755.

RAN away laſt Night from the *Baltimore* Iron-Works, on *Patapſco*, in *Maryland*, a Convict Servant Man, named *William Cowling*, about 30 Years of Age, he has been in the Country about 14 Months, is a luſty well-ſet Fellow, born in the Weſt of *England*, and ſpeaks broad, was bred to Farming, and underſtands driving a Team of Horſes; he is of a brown Complexion, has ſhort light brown Hair, a red Beard, is about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, and has a lubberly Walk. Had on when he went away, an old Felt Hat, a brown half-worn Kerſey Coat, without Lining, trimm'd with flat white Metal Buttons, two Oſnabrigs Shirts, Crocus Trowſers, and Country Shoes iron'd round the Heels. It is like he may change his Name and Cloaths.

Whoever ſecures ſaid Servant, ſo that he may be had again, ſhall have, if taken 20 Miles from home, Forty Shillings; if 40 Miles from home, Three Pounds; and if taken out of the Province, Four Piſtoles Reward, and reaſonable Charges, if brought home.

RICHARD CROXALL.

LOST at the Fair, near Mr. *Joſeph Howard*'s, over *South* River, ſometime in *June* laſt, a Gold Ring, and ſome Money, in a blue Silk Purſe; the Poeſy of the Ring is, *It was my Fancy for to range; I like my Choice too well to change.* Whoever will bring the ſaid Ring to Mr. *James Sanders*, near *Queen-Anne*, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward, paid by

JAMES SANDERS, junior.

THE Public are caution'd to be aware of ſome Counterfeit Bills, in Imitation of the Twenty Shilling Bill of this Province, as ſome of them may poſſibly be now paſſing. They differ from the true Bill in the Coat of Arms, the falſe ones being much coarſer in the Strokes, than the true Bills; and the Motto in the falſe Bills being hardly intelligible; the Boots on the Fiſherman in the Arms of the falſe Bill appear much whiter than in the True, the ſhading Strokes being much more diſtant from one another than in the true Bill; the Letters in general thro' the falſe Bill appear larger and coarſer than in the true Bill; the Letter Y, in the Word TWENTY at Top, in the falſe Bill, is ſhallower in the opening, and longer in the lower Part, than in the true Bill; and there appears more white in all the Letters in the Word TWENTY, in the falſe Bill, than in the True; the Aſteriſm after XX. S. at the Bottom is much larger than in the true Bill; the Signers Names are done pretty well; the Paper of the falſe Bills is thicker and coarſer than the True; and the Word MARYLAND at the Bottom of the Bill, is mark'd on the Back, inſtead of being ſtamp'd in the Paper as all the true Bills are.

By Order of the Commiſſioners,

RICHARD DORSEY, Clerk of the Paper Currency Office.

RAN away on Sunday the 31ſt of *Auguſt* laſt, from the Subſcriber, living in *Queen-Anne*'s County, *Maryland*, a Negro Man, named *Tom*, a luſty well-made Fellow. Had on when he went away, a Felt Hat, Kerſey Jacket, Oſnabrigs Shirt and Trowſers, and a Pair of Pumps. Whoever brings the ſaid Negro to the Subſcriber, ſhall have Twenty Shillings, if taken in the County; Forty Shillings if taken out of the County; and if out of the Province, Three Piſtoles Reward, beſide what the Law allows, paid by

NATHAN WRIGHT, junior.

September 16, 1755.

THIS Night broke out of *St. Mary's* County Goal, a Mulatto Man, named *Bob*, Slave to Mr. *William Hamerſly*, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, about 20 Years of Age, and is a very clean-made active Fellow. Had on when he went away nothing but an Oſnabrigs Shirt and Trowſers. He was condemned to be hanged on Friday the 19th Inſtant. Whoever will apprehend the ſaid Fellow, and ſecure him in any Goal, ſhall have Twenty Shillings Reward, beſide what the Law allows, or Five Pounds if brought to the Subſcriber.

PHILIP BARTON KEY,
Sheriff of *St. Mary's* County.

RAN away from *Norfolk*, in *Virginia*, the 4th of *Auguſt* laſt, a white Servant Man, by Trade a Cooper, named *John Lewis Miller*, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, a well-looking compliſant Fellow, and well dreſſed. Had on when he went away, a Thunder and Lightning Coat, wears a Wig, and ſpeaks good *Engliſh*.

He carried away with him a Servant Woman, of a ſmall Stature, and much Pock-fretten.

Whoever takes up the ſaid *Miller*, and ſecures him in any Priſon in *Maryland* or *Pennſylvania*, ſo as his Maſter may have him again, ſhall have FIVE PISTOLES Reward, paid by

ANDREW STROWLE.

JUST IMPORTED,
In the LUX, *Capt.* RICHARDSON, *and the* ROSE, *Capt.* SLADE, *and to be SOLD by Wholeſale or Retale, at my Store in* BALTIMORE-TOWN,

A GREAT Variety of *European* and *Eaſt-India* GOODS, for Bills of Exchange, or Current Money.

I intending for *England* this Fall, or early in the Spring, give this public Notice; and as it is very uncertain whether I ſhall ever return into theſe Parts again, I muſt intreat the Favour of all thoſe who have open Accounts, Notes, or Bonds, that they would diſcharge the ſame. The Buſineſs of the Store, *&c.* will be carried on in my Abſence by *Henry Stevenſon* and *Mayberry Helms*, junior.

JOHN STEVENSON.

N. B. Any Quantity of Flax-Seed purchaſed as uſual.

TO BE SOLD,
By Mrs. HENRIETTA MARIA DULANY,

THE following Parcels of Land, lying in *Queen-Anne's* County, *viz.*

682 Acres, being Part of a Tract of Land called *Willenlew*, lying on the Eaſt Side of *Tuckahoe* Creek.

228 Acres of Land, being Part of a Tract of Land called *Brandfield*.

240 Acres, being Part of a Tract of Land called *Skinner's Expectation*, lying on the *Beaver Dam* Marſh.

Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe any of the above Parcels of Land, are deſired to apply to Mr. *Robert Lloyd*, of *Queen-Anne's* County, or Mr. *Edward Dorſey*, of *Annapolis*, who are authorized to treat for the Sale of the ſame.

To be Sold alſo by the ſaid *Henrietta Maria Dulany*, the following Tracts of Land, lying in *Dorcheſter* County, *viz.*

Lowes Purchaſe, containing 1000 Acres, lying on the Head of *Choptank* River.

Clement's Chance, containing 200 Acres, lying near *Ingram's* Creek.

The Union, containing 300 Acres, lying on the South Side of *Great Choptank* River. And,

Allcock's Range, containing 100 Acres, lying near the Head of the Branches of *Fowling* Creek.

Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe any of the above Tracts of Land, are deſired to apply to Mr. *Charles Goldſborough*, of *Dorcheſter* County, or Mr. *Edward Dorſey*, of *Annapolis*, who are authorized to treat for the Sale of the ſame.

Baltimore-Town, June 23, 1755.

TO BE SOLD,

A LOT of Ground, lying in *Baltimore-Town*, whereon is a large convenient Brick Dwelling Houſe (in which Mr. *James Cary* now dwelleth) with Out-Houſes, Garden, *&c.*

For further Particulars, enquire of the Subſcribers.

ALEXANDER LAWSON,
WILLIAM LYON

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